



University of Massachusetts
Laboratory Safety Coordinators Committee
Minutes of April, 7 2010 Meeting
Draper Hall 102

Present: Jean Alamed, Phyllis Berman, Marvin Ellin, Erika Hamilton, Jim Hanchett, Sally Ives, Lara Kempf, Elaine Batista Nogueira, Al Rakouskas, Cole Tucker, Sherry Webb-Yagodzinski, Hilary Woodcock, Julie Woods, Betsy Blunt, Marc Dusza, Alesia Fugere, Scott Labonte, Judy LaDuc, Yung Morgan, Glenda Pons, Hanneef Sahabdeen, Sondra Slesinski, Ruth Witkowsky.

Absent: Harry Bermudez, Barry Braun, Dennis Bruffee, Fran Caron, Michael Cottom, Gary Czupkiewicz, Andy Danylchuk, Ron Grosslein, Young-Cheul Kim, Agnes Lacreuse, Becky Lawlor, Lew Louraine, Francis Merrigan, Julie Pahl, Tony Papirio, Steven Persch, Andrew Whiteley, Martha Sylvia, Joy Ward.

Meeting Start: 9:30

Meeting End: 10:30

1. Judy LaDuc, EH&S Biological Safety Services Manager, detailed the agenda for the last academic year 2010 Laboratory Safety Coordinator meeting. The EH&S Academic Safety Program has established a new Laboratory Assessment form for research laboratory compliance. Judy introduced the EH&S Assessment team, Yung Morgan, Alesia Fugere, Betsy Blunt and Marc Dusza. Then she described the main points of the new assessment form.
2. Marc Dusza's PowerPoint presentation described the following sections of the assessment form: General Safety and PPE, Housekeeping, Waste management and Compressed Gas Cylinders.
3. Judy's PowerPoint presentation described the sections on Equipment, Chemical Storage, BSL-1 and BSL-2 Biohazards, and Safety Training.
4. There was some discussion on Chemical Environmental Management Systems (CEMS) issues. Glenda Pons, manager of CEMS, was introduced. Judy asked that the coordinators inform EH&S and Glenda of any changes in research space for Principal Investigators, new hires, or any other departmental news or information that would necessitate changes in the CEMS inventory or require initiation meetings by specific EH&S program staff to train laboratory personnel.
5. There were over 20 different documents available for the safety coordinators to bring back to their departments describing EH&S policies for laboratory safety.
6. Judy ended the meeting by thanking the coordinators for their efforts throughout the academic year and mentioned there would be a picnic this summer to thank the coordinators.
7. The PowerPoint presentations are attached.